

## Peres, Urquhart discuss UNIFIL

TEL AVIV (R) — Prime Minister Shimon Peres Wednesday met United Nations Under-Secretary-General Brian Urquhart and discussed ways the U.N. could help Israel withdraw its troops from South Lebanon, a senior Israeli aide said. Mr. Urquhart, who Thursday meets Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir, told reporters Mr. Peres had stressed the new Israeli government's desire to get out of Lebanon as quickly as possible. "He (Peres) certainly put a lot of emphasis on withdrawal but it's not an easy problem and will take a lot of sorting out," he said.

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## Kuwait plans IPU resolution

KUWAIT (AP) — Kuwait is slated Wednesday that, despite alleged U.S. pressures, it will go ahead and introduce to the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) in Geneva next week a draft proposal condemning Zionism as a form of racism. Ahmad Al Sadoun, acting speaker of parliament, told the Kuwait News Agency that a U.S. State Department note was delivered to him by the American embassy's Counselor Robert Hollebay requesting that the draft proposal be modified. Mr. Sadoun said that Mr. Hollebay indicated that the American delegation to the IPU would walk out of the Geneva meetings if the Kuwaiti proposal was approved. "This stance by Washington is not strange to us," Mr. Sadoun said. "The United States' all-out support to the Zionist entity (Israel) is known to all." He added that Kuwait will not modify the proposal, insisting that "this is the least we can do" against racial discriminatory practices in Israel.

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## New Hijri year begins Wednesday

AMMAN (Petra) — Jordan, along with the Arab and Islamic worlds, Wednesday celebrates the new Hijri year 1405. Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs Under-Secretary, Abdul Salam Al Abbadi said that a major celebration will be held on this occasion at the Al Hussein Mosque in Amman in which a number of leading Islamic religious leaders and scholars will speak about the significance of this occasion. Dr. Abbadi added that other celebrations and religious seminars will be held in all other towns and cities in the Kingdom to mark the occasion.

## Jordanians asked to obtain Turkish visas in advance

AMMAN (Petra) — The Foreign Ministry has issued a call to Jordanians wishing to travel to Europe by land via Turkey to obtain entry and re-entry visas at the Turkish Embassy in Amman. A ministry spokesman said that the advice is being made upon recommendation from the Jordanian embassy in Belgrade.

## Rifaat Assad arrives in Paris

PARIS (R) — Syrian Vice-President Rifaat Al Assad arrived at Paris' Le Bourget airport from Geneva Tuesday night, airport sources said. The French External Relations Ministry declined to confirm the visit, and the Syrian embassy spokesman in Paris was not immediately available for comment.

## Tomahawk missile fails test

WASHINGTON (R) — A Tomahawk ground-launched cruise missile crashed Tuesday on test flight at the Dugway proving ground in Utah, the U.S. air force said Wednesday. The missile, of the type being deployed in Western Europe, failed to go into flight after it was ejected from its launcher, it said.

## Israel raises energy, postal charges

TEL AVIV (R) — Israel's new government Wednesday raised electricity charges by 30 per cent and postal rates by 60 per cent in its latest move to tackle a major economic crisis. Finance Minister Yitzhak Mordechai, who will brief a special cabinet session Thursday on the inflation-plagued economy, cancelled a planned visit to Washington this month because of the crisis, aides said.

## Japan ruling party HQ. attacked

TOKYO (R) — Fire blazed through the headquarters of Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) Wednesday after eyewitnesses reported a missile had been fired from a parked truck. The Tokyo fire brigade said the blaze spread through five floors of the LDP building in central Tokyo close to the Imperial Palace. There were no immediate reports of casualties.

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## Franjeh ends boycott of Lebanese peace process

BEIRUT (R) — Former President Suleiman Franjeh has agreed to be represented on a cabinet-appointed advisory council, ending his long boycott of Lebanon's national reconciliation process, ministerial sources said Wednesday.

Efforts to form the 40-man council on constitutional reforms dominated talks by the "national unity" government in its third day of special meetings at President Amin Gemayel's home village of Bikfaya, northeast of Beirut.

Despite Mr. Franjeh's decision to end his boycott, the sources said Wednesday's cabinet talks had stalled as ministers argued about the membership of the council and who was to lead it.

The all-civilian panel, to include equal numbers of Muslims and Christians, would recommend constitutional reforms aimed at giving Muslims a greater share of political power.

The pro-Syrian Franjeh, a Maronite Christian, has shunned government peace efforts since reconciliation talks between him and other Lebanese leaders broke up in Switzerland last March.

Since April, when Prime Minister Rashid Karami named his government of Muslim and Christian leaders and politicians, Mr. Franjeh has refused to allow his Greek Orthodox son-in-law, Abdullah Rassi, to take up his post as minister of interior.

The 74-year-old Franjeh, bitterly opposed to Mr. Gemayel's administration, had refused participation in the government after saying it contained agents of Israel.

Cabinet members earlier Wednesday agreed to exclude members of parliament or public employees from taking part in the advisory council and affirmed that it would have no law-making powers.

But the talks stalled when ministers failed to agree on proposed candidates for the council posts of chairman and secretary-general, the sources said.

They also disagreed on how council seats should be divided between various Christian and Muslim sects, the sources added.

The Associated Press adds: Administration sources, who declined to be identified, said the Lebanese leaders favoured the decentralisation of authorities to give Christians and Muslims greater autonomy in their own regions while, at the same time, strengthening the central government's ability to deal with foreign, defence and financial affairs. But there remained deep divisions

over the details of such a system, they said.

The cabinet "conclave" reached agreement in the three days of deliberations on a number of issues:

— Release of scores of civilians kidnapped during the latest civil war rounds last September and February and held hostage by rival militias.

— A pledge that the rival leaders within the coalition cabinet would abstain from inflammatory statements in public.

— A programme of financial, medical and agricultural aid to the predominantly Shi'ite residents of Israeli-occupied South Lebanon and an as-yet undeclared process for seeking negotiations for "security arrangements" that would induce Israel to end its two-year occupation.

Syria has been closely watching the progress of the Lebanese conclave. Progressive Socialist Party (PSP) leader Walid Junblatt, minister of public works, transport and tourism in Mr. Karami's government, drove to the Syrian capital of Damascus after the daylong meetings both Monday and Tuesday to hold with Syrian Vice-President Abdul Halim Khaddam.

The Syrians, who emerged as the main power brokers in Lebanon after the collapse of U.S. policy last February, also have been trying to work out field details of a security operation to reinstate Lebanese government authority in the PSP-held central mountains above Beirut.

## Expatriates meeting to study 5 working papers

AMMAN (Petra) — A general conference for Jordanian expatriates is to be held in Amman in August 1985, a cabinet-appointed committee preparing for the conference said Wednesday.

The announcement was made by the committee's chairman, Labour Minister Tayseer Abdul Jabbar who said that five working papers will be reviewed by the conference which will be the first of its kind ever.

Dr. Abdul Jabbar, who was speaking after a committee meeting, said that the committee members have endorsed the five working papers to be discussed, and set early August as a tentative date for the conference. According to Dr. Abdul Jabbar the first paper deals with Jordan's stand vis-a-vis various political issues, the second deals with the economic situation in Jordan and the third tackles the Jordanian labour market, social security and the role of Jordanian expatriates in supporting the country's development.

The fourth paper, he said, deals with issues of concern to the Jordanian workers now employed abroad and the difficulties and problems that they face at present, while the fifth paper will cover the prospects of work for a Jordanian expatriate upon returning home.

On the committee are representatives of the ministries of foreign affairs, industry and trade, tourism, finance, information, labour, interior, as well as the National Planning Council, the Central Bank of Jordan and the Amman Chamber of Industry.

## Hong Kong negotiators submit draft accord

PEKING (R) — British and Chinese negotiators have finished drafting a joint agreement on the return of Hong Kong to China and submitted the text to their respective governments, a British embassy spokesman said Wednesday.

The news came almost exactly two years after Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping announced Peking's determination to recover control of the colony in 1997 when Britain's lease on most of the territory expires.

The draft accord was expected to be discussed in London later Wednesday at a meeting between



AFTERMATH OF A CRASH: Soldiers and police search the wreckage after an aircraft crashed on houses in Quito, Ecuador. Fifty people have been reported killed in the crash (see story on page 8).

## S. Yemeni mediation bid continues in Algiers as Benjedid suggests PNC session be delayed

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AMMAN — South Yemeni President Ali Nasser Mobammad was holding talks with Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) and Algerian officials Wednesday amid reports that Algerian President Chadli Benjedid has asked the PLO to postpone the planned session of the Palestine National Council (PNC) to give more time for current mediation efforts with Syria.

A statement by the director of the information department at the PLO office in Amman, Mr. Ahmad Jamal, revealed that Algerians, who have initially agreed to host the PNC, the Palestinian parliament-in-exile, has suggested that leaders of five Palestinian factions should adjourn a meeting, which was scheduled to be held Thursday for 10 days in order to

give another chance for an Algerian-South Yemeni bid to reconcile Syria and the PLO leadership.

The Algerian suggestion followed an apparent failure by the South Yemeni president to heal the rift between Syria and PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat. Mr. Nasser Mobammad, who arrived in Algiers from Damascus on Tuesday, has reportedly failed in talking the Syrians to change their rejection of the leadership of Mr. Arafat. The Syrian demand that Mr. Arafat be ousted, from his position has so far obstructed efforts to convene the PNC.

The meeting between leaders of Fateh, the mainstream Palestinian faction, and of the Damascus-based "democratic alliance", which includes the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), the Democratic Front for

the Liberation of Palestine, the Palestinian Communist Party and the Palestine Liberation Front, was expected to come out with a call on the PNC to meet on its scheduled date on Sept. 28 or to announce a new date. But the Algerian request, which was reportedly prompted by Syrian pressure, has dimmed the chances of the PNC taking place at scheduled or even in the next few weeks.

Mr. Jamal said that representatives and leaders of the five factions, are going to discuss the Algerian suggestion on Thursday.

Thursday's meeting was expected to come out with some major decisions especially that two key PLO leaders, George Habash of PFLP, and Nayef Hawatmeh of DFLP, were expected to attend the session. Fateh will be represented by the Deputy Commander of PLO forces, Khalil Al

## King Fahd receives PLO leader

BAHRAIN (Agencies) — King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat had talks in the Saudi Red Sea port of Jeddah Tuesday night, the Saudi Press Agency reported Wednesday. It did not give details. Mr. Arafat, who arrived in Jeddah on Monday, has been seeking Arab support for his policies ahead of a long-postponed meeting of the Palestine National Council, the Palestinian parliament-in-exile.

Mr. Arafat also met with Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) General Secretary Habib Chatti in Jeddah on Tuesday.

Meanwhile, there was no indication Wednesday whether the PLO chairman will attend talks scheduled for Thursday in Algiers among leaders of five major factions in the PLO.

## General Assembly opens with seething attack on South Africa

UNITED NATIONS (R) — Zambian diplomat Paul Lusaka, elected by acclamation as president of this year's United Nations General Assembly, opened the 13-week session with a blast against South Africa.

"This organisation cannot morally co-exist with apartheid," Mr. Lusaka said at Tuesday night's opening.

He described South Africa's system of racial separation as a "diabolical policy" and said it robbed Africans of their basic human dignity and imposed a "patently unacceptable white minority rule" on the country.

In a thinly veiled criticism of some Western countries, the new assembly chief said: "It is indeed alarming that those states which take pride in their own free and democratic governments do not realise that the policy of apartheid rudely negates every tenet of a true democracy."

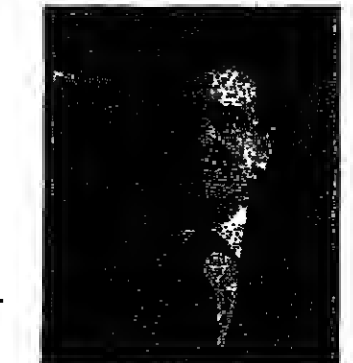
South Africa's delegates were not present to hear Mr. Lusaka's tongue-lashing. Their country was rejected from the assembly in 1974, although it remains a U.N. member.

Mr. Lusaka was nominated for the post of assembly president by the U.N.'s African group, whose turn it was this year to offer a candidate. He succeeds Jorge Illueca, who served concurrently as president of Panama.

Mr. Lusaka, 49, has represented Zambia at the United Nations since 1979, after a brief earlier stint from 1972-73.

He has also been ambassador to the Soviet Union and from 1973 to 1978 was a member of parliament, holding a number of ministerial portfolios.

The 158-nation assembly — which next week welcomes another member, Brunei — has a 142-item agenda. It includes such issues as the Middle East, Afghanistan, Kampuchea and the Falklands, as well as a host of problems relating to disarmament and international economic relations.



## Masri leaves for New York

AMMAN (Petra) — Foreign Minister Taher Al Masri left for New York Wednesday at the head of Jordan's delegation to the 39th session of the United Nations General Assembly which opened Tuesday.

Minister of Transport Taher Hikmat will be acting foreign minister during Mr. Masri's absence.

Mr. Masri will travel to New York city on Sunday and host a diplomatic reception for other delegation heads that evening.

White House spokesman Larry Speakes said Tuesday.

He will also meet privately with some delegation leaders and U.N. Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar.

Mr. Speakes did not say which leaders Mr. Reagan would see in New York, but he said no formal meeting between the president and Mr. Gromyko would take place prior to their scheduled meeting on Sept. 28 in Washington.

Mr. Gromyko will meet Secretary of State George Shultz next Tuesday in New York.

But before tackling these in detail, delegates will hear a series of major policy addresses, beginning with a speech next Monday by President Reagan and another the following day by Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko.

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## U.S., Israel continue to oppose Mideast conference

UNITED NATIONS (R) — U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar has formally notified the General Assembly that the United States and Israel are not prepared to attend a Middle East peace conference proposed by the assembly in a resolution last year.

In a written report to the assembly, he said he had sent letters to 19 governments and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) asking their views.

The letters went to the 15 members of the Security Council, which include Egypt, and the parties directly concerned with the Arab-Israeli dispute who are no members of the council — Israel, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, and the PLO.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar said, "it is evident that the convening of the proposed conference would require, in the first place, the agreement in principle of the parties directly concerned to participate in the conference," as well as that of the U.S. and the Soviet Union, which were specifically mentioned in the resolution.

The United States and Israel had said in their replies a conference in the form suggested by the assembly would turn into a "fruitless propaganda exercise."

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# Urqhart, Khaddam discuss U.N. role in Israeli pullout

DAMASCUS (R) — U.N. Undersecretary-General Brian Urqhart had talks Wednesday with Syrian Vice-President Abdul Halim Khaddam on the future role of the U.N. Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL).

The official Syrian News Agency SANA said the two men discussed the current situation in Lebanon and the U.N.'s responsibility and role in the withdrawal of Israeli forces from Lebanon.

Mr. Urqhart, on a Middle East

tour to discuss renewal of the UNIFIL mandate in Lebanon, has already visited Israel and Lebanon.

On Tuesday night, the U.N. envoy had similar talks with Foreign Minister Farouq Al Sharaa, which SANA said focused on the U.N.'s role in helping achieve the unconditional withdrawal of Israeli forces from southern Lebanon.

Syria insists an Israeli pullout from the South should be total without any strings attached.

The 5,700-strong UNIFIL, whose mandate expires Oct. 19, was formed in 1978 after Israel invaded the South to attack Palestinian commandos there. Its role has been uncertain since Israel's 1982 invasion and occupation.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said on Sunday he hoped the new Israeli government would use UNIFIL's presence to accelerate the withdrawal of its forces from Lebanon.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar in April proposed the temporary deployment of UNIFIL, along with Lebanese troops and security forces, in areas of South Lebanon vacated by the Israeli army.

Meanwhile Israel's new Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin, Wednesday told his Norwegian counterpart that U.N. peacekeeping forces should remain in South Lebanon but would be more effective if there was a change in their deployment.

Norwegian Defence Minister Anders Spjæstad met Mr. Rabin after visiting Norway's contingent in UNIFIL.

Mr. Rabin, who has vowed to seek a quick withdrawal of Israeli troops from Lebanon, has said U.N. troops and the Israeli-backed South Lebanese Army militia could help maintain security along Israel's border.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Kuwaiti jetfighter crashes

KUWAIT (R) — A Kuwaiti Air Force jet fighter crashed during a training flight Wednesday, but its pilot parachuted to safety, the Kuwait News Agency (KUNA) said. It quoted a Defence Ministry spokesman as saying the French-made Mirage caught fire around the cockpit section during a routine training run in the northern border area. The pilot attempted to reach an airbase but was forced to eject when thick smoke filled the plane, prompting fears of a possible explosion. "The pilot landed safely but the plane was completely destroyed," KUNA reported.

### Shamir meets Turkish MPs

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (R) — Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir met members of Turkey's opposition People's Party Wednesday in the first visit by Turkish officials to Israel in recent years. Israeli officials stressed the four-member delegation headed by Turkish parliamentarian Sabit Barut was on a private visit but added that the meeting was a positive step in ties between Turkey and Israel. The two countries maintain diplomatic relations but Ankara five years ago lowered the level of relations to a charge d'affaires level.

### Princess Anne, husband to visit UAE

ABU DHABI (R) — Princess Anne, eldest daughter of Britain's Queen Elizabeth, and her husband Captain Mark Philips will make a four-day official visit to the United Arab Emirates from Dec. 1, the official Emirates News Agency reported Tuesday.

### U.S. envoy presents papers in Kuwait

KUWAIT (AP) — The new U.S. Ambassador to Kuwait, Anthony Quainton presented Wednesday his credentials to the Emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sabah. The ceremony came five days after Mr. Quainton's arrival in this Gulf state to replace Francis Dickinson who left in August 1983. Mr. Dickinson was to have been replaced by Brandon Grove, but the Kuwaiti government rejected the Washington nominee because he had formerly served as U.S. consul-general in occupied Jerusalem. The arrival of Mr. Quainton marked the end of the ensuing year-long strain in Kuwait-U.S. ties, Arab diplomatic sources said. Quainton headed the U.S. State Department's office for combating terrorism, prior to his assignment as ambassador to Nicaragua. His diplomatic career includes postings in Nepal, Pakistan, India, Australia and France.

## Greek charge of air space violation rejected by Turkey

ANKARA (R) — Turkey Wednesday rejected a Greek charge that Turkish Air Force planes violated Greek air space over the Aegean Sea.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman said Turkish military planes were very careful not to enter a Greek six-mile zone, and "Greece's earlier allegations on the violation of this area have many times proved wrong in the past."

The Greek government said Tuesday night that a Turkish T-33 trainer illegally entered Greek air

space on Monday, while two pairs of Turkish F-4 Phantoms violated the Athens Flight Information Region (FIR) over the Aegean four times.

The Turkish spokesman said a Greek protest referred to breach of both six-mile and 10-mile limits as well as the FIR.

Turkey does not recognise Greece's self-proclaimed 10-mile national-airspace limit and the spokesman said Greek claims to the area were a violation of international air space.

## Chad bitter over Franco-Libyan pullout

N'DJAMENA (R) — Chad has yet to make a statement on the French-Libyan accord to withdraw their forces from the country because of what sources close to the government called official disapproval of French handling of the deal.

The surprise move was announced in Paris on Monday following secret talks in Tripoli between French External Relations Minister Claude Cheysson and Libyan Leader Muammar Qaddafi.

Sources close to the government said the delay in official public comment from Chad reflected official disapproval that the French had failed to consult N'Djamena and that the accord appeared to leave the disputed Aouzou Strip in Libyan hands.

## Armico director to head board talks in Mauritania

AMMAN (Petra) — Arab Mining Company (ARMICO) Director General Thabet Al Taher leaves for Nouakchott Thursday to preside over a meeting by the Arab Mining Company's board of directors due to begin early next week.

The board will discuss progress of work in exploiting copper in Mauritania.

The Mauritania-based company, owned by several Arab states was established in 1981 to exploit copper minerals in that country.

Armico owns a 32.5 per cent of the company's \$72 million capital.

The total investments in the mining projects amount to \$151 million and most of them are in copper of which Mauritania is estimated to have 22 million tonnes in reserve.

Apart from Armico, Iraq, Libya, Saudi Arabia, and Mauritania own shares in the company.

## 30 per cent of Israelis favour anti-Arab attacks, poll shows

TEL AVIV (AP) — Thirty per cent of Israeli youths favour responding to Arab attacks with violence and nine per cent would participate in such attacks, according to a poll published Wednesday.

The poll, published by the daily Yedioth Ahronoth, also showed that 27 per cent of the youths thought government critics should not be allowed to voice their opinions publicly.

The newspaper quoted from a survey by the Dahaf Research Agency commissioned by the Van Leer Institute of Academic Research. The poll was conducted among 651 respondents aged 15 to 18 throughout Israel, not including Israeli Arabs. The maximum margin of error was four per cent.

Of those polled, 44 per cent said they thought a law should be passed banning press criticism against the government in all matters relating to the authorities' relations with Arabs.

Yedioth also said the survey showed that 47 per cent thought the rights of Israeli Arabs should be limited.

Sixty-two per cent said Israel should annex the occupied West Bank.

Another poll published Wednesday showed most Israelis think their army should withdraw from Lebanon, but only 26.4 per cent favour an unconditional and immediate pullout.

The poll, commissioned by the daily Haaretz from the Public Opinion Research Institute, showed that 19.7 per cent of the 1,200 people polled said the Israeli army should withdraw only if the Syrians do, while 29.2 per cent said a pullout should be conditional on safety guarantees for the northern border settlements.

Of those surveyed, 7.8 per cent said Israeli troops should remain in Lebanon while 6.1 per cent said they had no opinion. No margin of error was given.

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## JCO, W.German foundation extend rural development information support

By Anne Counsell  
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Representatives from the West German Friedrich Naumann Foundation (FNF) held talks this week on exchange of expertise and information with the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Information and the Ministry of Agriculture.

However, these talks are not totally new ground for the foundation as the FNF has been active in the field of development support communications in Jordan since 1979 when the foundation was invited by the Ministry of Information to establish an office in Amman. For much of this time the foundation has been conducting a project with the Jordan Cooperatives Organisation (JCO) to produce and distribute video films on the subjects of agriculture and rural development in order to communicate ideas to the rural population.

In an interview with the Jordan Times Mr. Walter Rudel, television producer and FNF representative in Amman, explained that the foundation is also prepared to cooperate with other organisations in Jordan who are interested in the potential of development support communications.

Mr. Rudel went on to say that talks with the Ministry of Agriculture focused on equipping of the ministry's recently established information office, but added that there are also possibilities for coordination in research. With the consent of the JCO, the agricultural information material produced by the FNF and JCO could be used by the ministry in their own agricultural development programmes, Mr. Rudel said.

Regarding discussions with the Ministry of Information, Mr. Rudel said that there are many possibilities for the population in Jordan to improve their situation, whether by increasing crop yields through applied agricultural practices or by improving their standard of health, but much of this information may not reach the people in the correct manner. The Ministry of Information is aware of the developmental potential of communicating information to the population in the proper way, especially to the rural areas, and discussed the possibility of training Jordanian staff in this field at the foundation, he said.

Professor Dr. Knud Caesar, a member of the FNF board of directors, told the Jordan Times that the idea for projects should initially come from institutions in developing countries and that following training of staff in mass media and communications, the operations and equipment are then handed over to the concerned institution.

Professor Caesar is currently visiting Jordan to review the progress of work with the JCO and to investigate the possibility of extending the foundation's activities to other fields in the country where it could be of benefit. He said that the FNF aims to reach the rural population but emphasised that it is also important to inform the urban areas about the problems in other parts of the country. He said that many of the JCO

films inform the rural population how they could improve their standard of living and output through the cooperative organisations as well as informing the people in the towns about the various activities of the JCO.

The possibility of distributing information programmes through Jordan Television (JTV) has also been discussed, Mr. Rudel said, and the tapes will be used according to the JTV programming system. Mr. Rudel said that these programmes are a means of reaching other people concerned with agriculture and development in the country and spreading information which would make the project more efficient and effective.

At present the FNF and the JCO have completed five films which are being distributed by means of mobile cinemas and the first filming centre was established in Azraq this week, Mr. Rudel said. "We plan to set up another ten centres in the country and we are running workshops to get cooperative members acquainted with the equipment and how to run these centres," he said.

Preparations are under way to form a joint committee comprising the Ministry of Information, the Ministry of Agriculture, the JCO and JTV which could assess other possibilities and areas of cooperation for this type of project in order to maximise the available expertise for necessary purposes.

Future FNF activities in Jordan include the production of posters and leaflets to broadcast information and the holding seminars and conferences on information cooperation within and between countries.

## Royal Decree approves reshuffle of judges

AMMAN (J.T.) — A Royal Decree has approved the Higher Judicial Council transfers of judges at Jordanian courts. According to the reshuffle, Mr. Tayseer Al Diri will become under-secretary of the Ministry of Justice to succeed Rateb Al Wazni who has been appointed a member of the Court of Cassation.

Kheif Suheimat and Abdul Majid Gharaibeh will also be appointed members of the Court of Cassation and Mr. Majed Ghannam will become prosecutor general to succeed Mr. Suheimat. Mr. Jamil Haddadin will be Prosecutor General at the criminal court, Omar Abaza will be head of the First Instance Court to succeed Farouk Al Keilani, who will become head of the court of appeal that deals with income tax cases and will succeed Abdul Latif Al Tali.

Also Kamel Izmeqna, Eid Al Lawzi, Bassam Nweiran and Aladdin Zueiter will become members of Amman court of appeal.

Ahmad Al Momani becomes head of the First Instance Court in Zarqa to succeed Mr. Abaza, Abdul Latif Al Tali will be a member of the Amman Court of Appeal. Mr. Jiries Al A'raj becomes judge at Zarqa Court and Hanna Al A'raj will be transferred to Karak Court. Saber Shibli becomes member of the customs court, Mahmoud Utom, assistant prosecutor general, becomes district court judge in Amman, Hatam Haddadin becomes member of the First Instance Court in Amman. Riad Khreis will be assistant to the prosecutor general, Abdullah Lawzi becomes prosecutor general in Amman, Mohammad Al Ghazo will be judge at the Amman Peace Court, Eid Shakhaneh becomes member of the Amman First Instance Court, Elias Akashe will be member of the First Instance Court in Amman and Sami Khader will be prosecutor general in the criminal court.

## Universities of Yarmouk, Tubingen sign agreement

AMMAN (J.T.) — Yarmouk University and the University of Tubingen in West Germany Wednesday signed an agreement designed to strengthen and promote the existing academic relationship and cooperation between them.

Under the agreement, signed at a special ceremony at the Yarmouk University Liaison Office in Amman, both universities will make arrangements for exchanging visits of students, professors and researchers, holding joint academic research wherever appropriate, organising seminars on topics of interest, and offering professional training for promoting social, cultural and athletic cooperation.

The agreement also provides for an exchange of literature, public documents, curriculum, results of research, dissertation abstracts and other printed material, especially in the fields of science, medical sciences, humanities and social sciences.

## Grisly body triggers Mid-East investigations

# London murder suspects may be in Jordan

By Salameh B. Ne'matt  
Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — Investigations into the murder of a 15-year-old girl in London, believed to be a Saudi Arabian heiress, reached Jordan as the girl's uncle and aunt were reported to have arrived recently in Amman.

The lower half of the girl's body was found Monday in a London street but it was "virtually impossible to have a positive identification of the remains without the top half," the British Scotland Yard told reporters in London.

A police spokesman in Amman told the Jordan Times that all border posts and travel exits in Jordan have been alerted in search of the girl's uncle Mohammad Hawa, 42, and the aunt Jumana Hawa, 33. It is not yet known whether they were involved in the murder.

In London, Scotland Yard said Suba Younis Hawa, daughter of a millionaire Saudi businessman living in Saudi Arabia, spent the summer in London with her uncle and aunt and was believed to have been kidnapped for ransom by three armed men on Aug. 25. The Yard said it used the word "believed" because it has no other evidence of the kidnapping, apart from a statement made to detectives by an unidentified businessman who knows the family.

"Miss Hawa was bundled with her aunt and uncle into a yellow van by three men with guns at 10 p.m. (Aug. 25) and they were held somewhere in London," the spokesman said. The uncle and aunt were released on Aug. 27 after

being told to find ransom money and to await contact from the kidnappers.

The abduction took place at the family's apartment in New Cavendish Street, a few hundred metres from where the badly decomposed and naked remains were found on Sept. 7, the Yard said.

The Daily Mail called the Jordan Times from London and said that they have information from the Yard that the uncle and aunt are in Jordan, but there was no immediate confirmation of their presence in the Kingdom. The Jordan Times tried locating Mr. and Mrs. Hawa in Amman hotels and tried to contact potential information sources in the capital, but no information on their whereabouts was available. Some people believed Mr. and Mrs. Hawa were of Palestinian origin.

Representative of the International Police Organisation (Interpol) in Amman Brigadier Yusef Gharaibeh told the Jordan Times he was not contacted regarding the murder and added that he had no information about the horrible murder.

Reporting from London, the Associated Press said the grisly discovery was in Duchess Street, close to the British Broadcasting

Corporation headquarters near Oxford Circus. The body had been severed at the waist and the remains were in a gray plastic bag, used for lining rubbish bins, which had split. The bag was under a parked Rolls-Royce car and the legs were spotted by Peter Winter, a station officer at a nearby fire brigade.

The Yard said that detectives trying to establish the identity of the dead girl, checked a list of some 200 young women between the ages of 15 and 30 reported missing in Britain and abroad since the start of the year. They eliminated more than 130 names and are now considering the names of 66 missing girls aged between 15 and 17.

The Associated Press quoted the Press Association, Britain's domestic news agency: the police are battling against a wall of silence erected by the girl's family. They have been unable to contact her parents and the aunt and uncle have gone to the Middle East without being interviewed by the police.

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## U.N. can set the course

THE 39TH session of the United Nations General Assembly opened in New York on Tuesday. Assembled there are representatives of 158 nations which hope to restore some kind of order to the chaos that seems to dominate the international scene these days. Disarmament issues are among the leading items in a 144-item agenda that the assembly is scheduled to discuss, and, as Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar put it, we too expect some kind of a slack in the "mad race to achieve supremacy among the superpowers."

While we, the people of the Middle East, are as concerned as any other on earth over the looming threat of a nuclear war which could terminate the existence of the planet itself, we would also like the world nations to give a close consideration to the problems of our region which are threatening the existence of a people — the Palestinians.

Ever since a Jewish state was established among the Arab countries of the Middle East, the region has been witnessing continuous eruptions of violence and a seemingly eternal state of apprehension and fear of further bloodshed prevails in the region.

The whole concept behind the creation of a body like the U.N. was to seek peaceful solutions to issues similar to those of the Middle East. And if the world nations, grouped as they are now in New York, could not find a just and comprehensive settlement to the Palestinian problem, then we wonder, what is the whole purpose of this futile exercise of their meeting together and talking.

The people of the Middle East could not be blamed, we believe, if they tend to adopt a sceptical stand towards the effectiveness of the U.N. in implementing its decisions and resolutions. It has been their experience over the years that every time a ray of hope looms up in the horizon the Israeli intransigence, coupled with the patronising stand of the United States, gobbles it up while the world organisation is left with the role of an onlooker.

We do realise that the U.N. has problems, especially that it largely depends on the U.S. for its financial survival, which Washington waves aloft whenever American purposes are tackled by the world nations, and with other things, less mundane.

The latest of the U.S. arrogance is manifested in its continued refusal to respond positively to calls for an international conference on the Middle East to seek a just solution to the Palestinian problem which is the crux of the region's crisis.

Obviously no-one takes seriously the U.S. and Israeli contention that such a conference would be turned to a "useless exercise" and a "forum for anti-Israeli propaganda and rhetoric." The world realises that the Arab World is really serious in its quest for a peaceful solution to the conflict. However, since the U.S. and Israel remain adamant on their rejection of the concept of an international conference, it becomes incumbent upon the U.N. to devise some kind of a formula which would ensure that the Palestinians will no longer be a people without a homeland and their legitimate rights to self-determination will no longer be violated.

The Arabs have made their position clear. They are not going to accept anything less than total Israeli withdrawal from the occupied Arab territories in exchange for peace. If the Jewish state is seeking "peace" and "security" as its claims as the motivations for its invasion of Lebanon and the arbitrary measures against the people living in the occupied territories, then now is the time for the Israeli leaders to come forward and extend a hand of peace. The U.N. could help in demonstrating to them that this is the right course.

## ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

### Al Ra'i: Wooing Zionist votes

WITH THE escalation of the U.S. presidential campaigns, the rivalry between the contenders for the presidency also intensifies and both President Reagan and Walter Mondale have been issuing statements which completely contradict the principles and values of the American nation. Both statesmen continue to voice their total support for Israel and both express clearly their hatred and hostility towards the Arab Nation with the hopes of getting as many Jewish votes as possible.

These statements are samples of hundreds of other statements issued by other candidates for the presidency and Congress over the past 30 years. Perhaps with his recent statement that he will make Israel the cornerstone of U.S. policies, Mondale meant that he will place the interests of the Zionist states above those of his own country. Perhaps also Mondale wants to emphasise the depth of his hatred to the Arabs and his plans to strengthen Israel further to launch more attacks on the Arab Nation.

Thus Mondale is clearly displaying himself and his country as enemies of the Arab Nation and their legitimate and national interests. No sooner or later, the leaders of the United States will have to face the moment of truth whether they really prefer Israel's interests to those of their country; and if so they will be facing a big dilemma in the Middle East. For sooner or later the U.S. leaders will have to realise that the Arabs are not a flock of sheep that can be ignored for ever. No one can predict the consequences if the present U.S. attitudes are allowed to continue.

### Al Dustour: Damaging opposition gesture from Turkish

THE CURRENT visit to Israel by members of Turkey's opposition parties conflicts with the constantly improving Arab-Turkish relations. This visit does not reflect the feelings of the Turkish people who are linked politically, economically and culturally with the Arab Nation. This visit, the first of its kind in 15 years by members of Turkey's People's party should not be allowed to damage the relations between the Arabs and Turkey.

Out of its strong religious and historic links with the Arabs, Turkey recalled its ambassador from Tel Aviv in the October 1973 war, increased its support for the Arabs and embarked on a new and open political and trade policy with the Arabs. Therefore the Turkish government cannot be condoning such visit by members of the opposition parties. We still remember what happened to Nigerian politicians who paid a visit to Israel that resulted in strained relations between the Arab World and Nigeria. That visit and its consequences prompted the Nigerian government to confiscate the passports of those politicians in retaliation and punishment. We call on the Turkish government to take a similar action to deter others from damaging Turkey's image in the Arab World.

### Sawt Al Shaab: Who attacked the bus?

ONE CANNOT rule out the possibility that the Israelis themselves launched the attack on the bus near Duhisha camp south of the occupied city of Bethlehem. The bus was on its way to this action in order to give the Knesset justification for removing the refugee camp to another area. This indeed was a major topic in the Knesset's session where voices were raised demanding that the refugees be removed from that area.

Of course Israel is determined to remove all Arabs from around the Greater Jerusalem area to help facilitate the settlement programme especially around the Holy City.

Duhisha camp is one of the very few camps that have remained intact near Jerusalem and so the Israelis can find in the bus attack a pretext to justify the destruction of the camp and moving its inhabitants to Israeli jails or to areas near the River Jordan prior to evicting them to the East Bank.

## VIEW FROM AMERICA

# U.S. candidates reluctant to accept Arab support

By Franz Schurmann

SAN FRANCISCO — Now, during the early stages of the American electoral campaign, another insult has come from the Mondale camp. A group of prominent Arab-Americans decided to support Mondale, and made contributions of \$1,000 each to his campaign. There is nothing unusual or corrupt about this. A thousand dollars is a very small amount of money. And contributing it to a political candidate purchases no influence. But it has great symbolic value. It signifies that the group who made the contribution have decided to enter the political arena.

By making the contributions, these Arab-Americans were saying: Arab-Americans are, as of now, a political force in American elections. There are 2½ million Arab-Americans in the country, a little less than half the number of Jews. They have

recently gained a talented young spokesman by the name of James Zogby. He was, in fact, invited to speak at the Democratic National Convention.

It was natural for the Arab-Americans to make the gesture to the Democrats rather than the Republicans. The Democrats have the reputation of being a party for the minorities, outsiders, those at the lower levels of the socioeconomic scale. And Arabs have felt a great deal of bias in the U.S. and have consequently formed an Arab-American Anti-Discrimination Committee modelled on the Jewish Anti-Defamation League.

In mid-August, these Arab-Americans were shocked when the Mondale camp returned the contributions and made it clear they wanted no support from the Arab-

Americans. Though it was obvious that Zionist pressure on Mondale had forced the return of the money, even Zogby did not want to believe that Mondale was under so much influence of Zionists that he would reject support from an Arab-American group whose politics are centrist and who are not zealously committed to the PLO.

Even more ironic is the fact that the Republicans formed an Arab-Americans-for-Reagan-Bush Committee. They did this even though at the Republican Convention, both Reagan and Bush felt compelled to make the ritualistic gesture towards our great "democratic" ally Israel.

The Zionist forces in U.S. politics have good reason to be nervous. The controversy between Jews and blacks in recent months created a lot of bitterness. Blacks form a sig-

nificant part of the electorate in 19 states. If they decided to vote in strength, they could help Mondale greatly. If they do not vote, they could assure a Reagan landslide victory in November.

There is also nervousness over the growing closeness between the Reagan administration and many Arab governments. The Zionists see that Washington has said and done nothing as Syria is working behind the scenes to bring about a settlement of the Lebanese tragedy. And the U.S. has been quietly giving encouragement to Iraq in the war against Iran.

And lastly there is the disastrous economic situation in Israel coupled with the political instability of the Labour-Likud inability to form a strong and lasting government.

It is clear that the Zionists are desperately hoping that

Mondale will win: a lot of money is riding on that horse. Israel is in a bad situation economically and politically. And unlike the past there is no new war which could provide an easy "solution" to its woes.

There only is a generous Uncle Sam with billions of dollars (and the dollars are more needed than the weapons). And even more than the dollars, is the need for absolute moral support from the United States. And not just from the Jews (many of whom are getting rather tired of Israel) but from the "Gentiles." The Zionists need the support and legitimization of mainstream America. They have been losing it ever since the Lebanon invasion. And in Walter Mondale they have a candidate who is committed to Israel no matter what new adventures and follies they may carry out.

Yet even if Mondale disdainfully returned these contributions of Arab-Americans, the gradual rise of Arab-American political influence will continue. There are all kinds of new business and professional classes arising which will want to exercise influence on the American political arena. Chinese-Americans and Hispanics are beginning to play key political roles. And Arab-Americans are now prominent enough in so many fields of American achievement that they no longer have to be ashamed of their origins.

Ten years ago, when OPEC appeared on the scene, Arab reputations in the U.S. hit bottom. Now they are slowly beginning to rise as more and more Arab-Americans like James Zogby begin to assert themselves politically.



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## Europeans plan C. American role

By John Rogers

LONDON — The European Community is preparing for its first foray into Central America, hoping to contribute to peace in a troubled region on the back door of the United States.

Foreign Ministers plan to attend a meeting in San Jose, Costa Rica, on Sept. 28 and 29 with their counterparts from five Central American states — Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua — to decide how the 10-nation community can help solve that region's problems.

The emphasis will be on promoting peace and stability by giving the region an economic boost. Rather than proposing any fresh peace plan to heal Central America's conflicts, the Europeans are expected to restate their support for Latin America's own initiative, by the so-called Contadora Group.

European diplomats say the ministers will not seek to undercut the heavy U.S. influence in the region but to complement it.

The community does not want to establish "a zone of influence or

domination" in Central America, according to West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, a leading European promoter of the San Jose talks.

He says U.S. reaction has been positive, and a U.S. official in London told Reuters: "We are pleased to have the Europeans taking an interest."

But community countries appear to feel they can provide a counterweight to superpower influence in Central America. Most view with unease the Reagan administration's headline role in the region's conflicts.

A West European diplomat says of the Central American states: "They are Western-oriented countries some of which have problems with the United States, so the community could be a useful alternative contact point."

Another says some Central American states, concerned about U.S. influence, "might see a European balance as desirable."

The San Jose meeting is largely an initiative by Costa Rican President Luis Alberto Monge.

Mr. Monge toured Europe in June to win foreign support for Costa Rica's democratic system, which he feared could be threatened by the conflict between the left-wing government and U.S.-backed rebels in neighbouring Nicaragua. He was keen to expose the Europeans directly to the region's problems, diplomats said.

The European Community has no traditional ties with Central America, and proponents of closer dialogue see a model in its links with the six non-Communist nations grouped in the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN), including regular foreign ministers' meetings and a trade and economic cooperation pact.

The motives for cooperation with ASEAN were partly political, to shore up democracy in Asia, and partly economic, to bid for a European share of business opportunities in a dynamic zone heavily penetrated by Japan and the United States.

With Central America, West Germany's Mr. Genscher envisages a five-year cooperation accord similar to ASEAN's, a possible boost in community aid to Central America — about \$30 million last year — and increased trade through preferential tariffs

for the region's exports. Agenda details for the San Jose talks are being worked out by Costa Rica and Ireland, current chairman of the community, and it is not yet clear if the meeting will consider establishing a Central American grouping on the lines of ASEAN.

Some Europeans feel such a body would promote stability, but others are not so sure it would work in view of the region's ideological divisions, in which Nicaragua is odd-man-out.

One feature of the talks will be participation by the Contadora states — Colombia, Mexico, Panama and Venezuela — whose 20-month-old peace proposals for Central America have so far made little visible progress.

The Contadora Group this month gave the five Central American countries until Oct. 15 to approve a revised draft of its peace plan. It did not disclose the new proposals or say what would happen if they were rejected.

Other participants in the meeting will be Spain and Portugal, which have strong Latin American links and are set to join the community in 1986.

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## Strains escalate in U.S.-Turkish ties

By Paul Bolding

ANKARA — A week of strain in U.S.-Turkish relations has raised questions about the future of ties between the leader of the Western alliance and the guardian of its crucial southeastern flank.

Turkish Defence Minister Zeki Yavuzturk was quoted at the week-end as saying Turkey would review its relations with the United States if a proposed cut in military aid is ratified.

That issue arose on the heels of a blast of Turkish official and press criticism over a call in the U.S. House of Representatives to commemorate an alleged massacre of Armenians in Turkey in 1915.

One Western diplomat described the storm as "quite serious," but cautioned: "The relationship between Turkey and the United States is too strongly based on mutual interest for this to cause any permanent damage."

The House Appropriations Committee last week cut military aid to Turkey to \$540 million from \$655 million in the Senate version of the 1985 foreign aid bill, itself down from President Reagan's \$755-million-dollar request.

Mr. Yavuzturk told the Turkish News Agency that "if the amount becomes definite, then we would be obliged to review once again our relations with the U.S."

He did not go into details, but the row comes at a time when Turkey — NATO's only Muslim member — is looking to increase its ties with its neighbour, Iran, and its friends in the Arab World.

It has been at pains to show them it will not support without question American policies in the Middle East and has said it will not provide facilities for the U.S. Rapid Deployment Force.

Many Turks believe, however, that U.S.-funded NATO mod-

ernisation of air bases in eastern Turkey effectively means these would be available to the force in time of crisis in the region.

A government spokesman confirmed press reports that Foreign Minister Vahit Halefoglu would brief Prime Minister Turgut Ozal and President Kenan Evren on the row.

The reports said the three men would primarily consider retaliation in trade matters, including possible cancellation of a major telephone equipment contract with a subsidiary of the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation and a reassessment of a bid from Westinghouse for Turkey's first nuclear power station.

Turkey's vociferously protested the house resolution on the Armenian issue. Turkish governments have denied the massacre charge, saying the Armenians died because of war and other reasons and that the figure is exaggerated.

A Western diplomat said reaction to U.S. discussion of the Armenian issue had become emotionally tied in Turkish minds to the aid cut even though it was really the presence of Turkish troops in northern Cyprus that lay behind U.S. concerns.

A leading Turkish daily, Milliyet, Monday reported an exchange of sharply worded letters over U.S. defence aid between U.S. Ambassador Robert Strausz-Hupe and Mr. Halefoglu.

One U.S. official, playing down the row, said: "Relations between the U.S. and Turkey are always good and always bad."

Milliyet said the envoy's note was a second "Johnson letter," a reference to a 1964 communication from then U.S. President Lyndon Johnson warning Turkey not to invade Cyprus, which is remembered in Ankara as unwanted U.S. interference.

## LETTERS

### Mehta's music attracts Indira too

To the Editor:

THE MEDIA have projected the return of the internationally renowned Indian-born music conductor, Zubin Mehta, to his motherland heading the New York Philharmonic as a triumph for the artist, who, seven years ago, vowed never to play in India after being refused permission to bring in the Israeli philharmonic. In fact, it should have been a triumph for the Indian government, which stood firm on its refusal to allow the Israelis in, and still managed to have the conductor play some of his masterpieces in the country last week.

In interviews with the media, Mehta also hinted that he did not hold much hope to convince the Indian government to allow the Israeli philharmonic to play in India.

Another significant aspect of the episode is that Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi herself was in the front row when Mehta conducted compositions of Beethoven, one of her favourites.

The fact that Mehta broke his vow to play in India does not rate much in political terms for the people of the Middle East, but the episode is an emphatic indicator of how one can make a point without fanfare and at the same time not losing face.

India, despite the fact the Mehta's music was widely acclaimed and appreciated by the Indian masses and their leaders, indicated very clearly that the consideration of the artist's high-quality work is no justification for granting permission to bring in the Israelis. It was a firm political stand which definitely rate the attention of the Arabs.

The inherent question that comes up whenever calls go up for measures to boycott countries that support Israel, most particularly the United States, is whether the Arabs could manage without the superpower. Granted that the U.S. does offer the widest choice in terms of foodstuffs, technology, arms and expertise, the Arabs can still live without America.

The Arabs were still a strong force even before the U.S. ever came into being. History says that Columbus's trip to the Americas was financed by the king of Portugal after the decline of the Arab power in Andalusia.

Isn't it ironic that a race which once upon a time did have the power to create and control world events is now faced with the arrogance of a superpower which collaborates in the Israeli persecution of the Palestinians?

Arjun Chatterjee  
Amman.



# ort Citizen Woodward pursues her cause: disarmament

By Stephanie Mansfield

WASHINGTON — Joanne Woodward says she's no longer an actress.

"I don't do films anymore," declared the 54-year-old Hollywood veteran, in a tone of voice usually reserved for menial housework. As in, "I don't do windows."

She also says she's not political, although her name has been linked with various liberal causes and she was in Washington this week to chair the National Women's Conference to Prevent Nuclear War.

"I am not an activist," she said. "I am often asked to do things and very often do them out of guilt or out of a need to make myself feel better. Feeling as though if you're very lucky, then you need to do something to pay for all the good luck. In this particular case, I don't think that applies."

What she is, said the silver-haired mother of three daughters (plus two stepdaughters from Paul Newman's previous marriage), and the lover of books, ballet, theater, dance class, sewing, jogging and just about everything else but being a housewife from Westport, Connecticut, is a citizen.

A concerned citizen. And as a citizen, she hates to give speeches, hates to be interviewed ("I always think there must be something else that both of us could be doing"), hates to have her picture taken, bristles at any remotely frivolous inquiry (forget about what's it's like to be married to Paul Newman for the last 26 years). But she understands that talking to the press is a way to spread the message she passionately espouses: nuclear disarmament.

"I'm hopeless," she said. "I have a terrible time talking about myself. Because I get infinitely too emotional about it. I've got to stop being so emotional because I think that's off-putting to a lot of people. People really just want to hear the facts."

"I don't know. I look outside and wonder if a bomb's coming over. And when it's either become active or crawl into a hole."

Citizen Woodward was sitting in her hotel room, knitting a red sweater ("for once for myself"), trying to relax; she was nervous. She knitted furiously, frowning as she dropped a stitch, talking in the lilting tones of her native Georgia, "the voice that dripped honey in 'The Three Faces of Eve' (which won her the Oscar as best actress in 1957), 'The Long Hot Summer', 'From the Terrace', 'WUSA' and two films directed by her husband, 'Rachel, Rachel'.

and "The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds."

"I don't know how people can live and not spend a large part of their life thinking about what's happening right now," she said, over the clicking of knitting needles. "Every time I look out the window, or walk out to my garden or do those corny things like picking roses or whatever, I think about it."

"It isn't like anything else. It isn't even like death, which we all know will happen. It's something that none of us have ever been able to conceive of, and I personally cannot walk down a street or look at a beautiful countryside or a painting or listen to a piece of music without being aware that this is possibly going to be destroyed. Let alone everybody in the world. Everything humanity has created for 6,000 years. And for what?"

The more she learned, she said, the more she read, the more she and Newman became involved in the issue of nuclear disarmament ("It's so silly to call it an issue when it's life or death"), the angrier she became.

"As Helen Caldicott (founder of Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament) said, 'I just want to be able to say to my children as the bombs come over, 'I tried.'"

Woodward is part of a growing number of American women involved in the anti-nuclear effort.

"Women are an enormous force," she said. "And I don't think we've quite recognized that beginning. If it helps to mobilize that force, that's wonderful. Maybe that'll help."

Her first political experience was campaigning for the writer Gore Vidal when he ran for the House of Representatives in the early 1960s.

"I had no idea what to say. I used to take my baby along. My daughter was his godchild. I thought that should be sufficient reason for people to vote for him," she laughed. "Wasn't enough, unfortunately."

Woodward admits to being naive and unpolitical in her youth. "I realise I didn't even remember Hiroshima. I was 15 years old. What was I doing?"

Dating? "Dating," she concurred. "Going to a dance probably. It was a very naive world."

Not any more. "I'm always surprised when I see people having children now," she said. "It's a great act of courage or a great act of faith." She said that if she were starting a family now, "I'd think about it more. I really don't know. I think unless there's some reason to believe things will change, why

provide more fodder?"

Woodward became active in the 1960s in the peace movement, then several years ago became a member of the board of the Centre for Defence Information, which describes itself as "an authoritative and impartial monitor of the military", concentrating on reduced spending and averting nuclear war. Part of the profits from the sale of Newman's salad dressing and spaghetti sauce go to the organisation.

Is it easier for her to buttonhole politicians because she is Joanne Woodward?

"I don't know. I've never really given it much thought. If I am, because my name is recognisable, then terrific. I don't think those are important aspects, frankly. At any rate, I don't think it matters for what reason people listen. By listening to me or anybody, Joan Shmow. If it makes people change their awareness, then terrific. I'm a citizen. Why not use it?"

She exhaled a sigh of impatience. "All of this about who I am and what I am and all of this."

She's not into it?

"No. I'm not," she laughed, saying she never liked any of the "accoutrements of being an actress except acting."

"The only thing that interests me is whether the conference begins to make people aware. If it does, I don't care for what reason it does."

She has never been a celebrity. "Not willingly." She was growing testy. "What does this have to do with what we're doing?"

She said she would not combine her acting skills with a political message, particularly one like "The Day After," which portrayed the effects of nuclear holocaust on a small American town.

"No. You know why? Because I think that putting something so dreadful into a film makes it possible to conceive of. It was interesting to me to see the reaction to 'The Day After'. It was amazing. Then it was over. You can't dismiss it that lightly. It's not 'Disease of the Week'. There's no way we can relate to it. It's never happened to this world, and it never will again. Because once it happens, that's it. There's no way to talk about it in an easy fashion. I find it very difficult."

Her face flushed, "I'm angry because I think two countries in this world are playing games and they're playing games with the world and I don't know why and I don't think this should be allowed to happen."

She resisted criticising President Ronald Reagan's foreign policy, saying the question of nuclear disarmament "is beyond political."

"I don't care who people vote for. If that person has a correct stand, and I think there is only one correct stand, that person should be voted into office. Whether they're Democrat, Republican or Watusi."

But she said she felt optimistic. "There's been a tremendous response from women all over the country. I think it provides a platform for women to express their opinion about what's been happening and to hopefully formulate a plan of action for women all over the country, and eventually all over the world, to follow. I think women need some place to go to know what to do."

"You say will it happen? I don't know. I'd like to think so."

Last week's conference was the culmination of a year's work.

"They're the ones who've done all the work," she said. "I'm the shell."

A small laugh. "There's a place in life for all of us" — The Washington Post.



Joanne Woodward: "Women are an enormous force"

## Black-Sea Shipping Lines: 150 years in international shipping

By Pavel Pustovoyt

THE SOVIET Black-Sea Shipping Lines are one of the world's biggest shipping companies. They have more than 300 cargo ships with an aggregate deadweight of over three million tons, about 40 comfortable vessels and several hundred port service and technical ships such as tow-boats, rescue ships, dredgers, pilot launches and so on.

The Black-Sea Shipping Lines have advanced port facilities and three well-equipped ship-repair works. The two biggest of the company's 11 major ports are Odessa and Ilyichevsk.

The company has been engaged in international business for more than 150 years now. It was founded in June 1863 to maintain regular sea-links between Odessa and Constantinople (now Istanbul). These days, the company's ships make regular trips to many ports in the Mediterranean, various Asian, African and Latin American countries. The Black-Sea Shipping Lines account for more than 20 per cent of all international shipping handled by the Soviet merchant marine. Their ships carry raw sugar, metals, equipment, ore, coal, chemicals, big diameter pipes for oil and gas pipelines and other cargo.

The company's fleet means modern vessels of various designation: dry-cargo ships, container-carriers, refrigerator ships, gas carriers and ferries with load capacities between 3,000 and 65,000 tons. The recent years have seen an intensive growth of container traffic in the main routes and lanes. These days the Black-Sea Shipping Lines have more than 27,000 ISO containers.

The company is modernising the work of the international ferry service between the Soviet port of Ilyichevsk and the Bulgarian port of Varna. The service annually handles more than four million tons of cargo. The heavy-duty ferries which take on entire railway trains have cut the terms of goods

delivery and have relieved many ships which formerly worked on this line.

Every year the company receives new specialised vessels such as the multi-purpose vessels of the Izvestia type and the ships of the Stakhanovets Kotov series for the haulage of big-size and extra-heavy loads.

It is common knowledge that the problems of load-unload handling, storage, deck securing and safety are all of primary importance in goods shipping. The Black-Sea Shipping Lines have quite a few examples of inordinate solutions to these complicated problems on their record.

The refitting of motor-ships of the Zadonsk type has made it possible to use them in the haulage of not only bulk freight cargo such as coal, grain or ore, but also of the so-called super-heavyweights such as, say, technological columns for chemical plants. The development of the original deck securing systems which are known abroad as the "Russian method"

has enabled the company to carry thousands of tons of big-diameter gas-pipes on board the dry-cargo vessels of the Zoya Kosmodemyanskaya type.

Just like many ships of other countries, ships of the Black-Sea Shipping Lines run many international lines. The joint Soviet-Indian cargo line, for example, has been in operation for nearly 30 years now with about five to seven runs a month, while the line between the Soviet Black-Sea ports and Vietnam (10 runs a month) has been operating for 20 years.

In 1971 the USSR and France inaugurated a joint line between Odessa and Marseilles run by ships of the Povenets type, which make one voyage a month in both directions. These ships follow from Odessa to Kherson, Piraeus, Marseilles, Foss-sur-Mer and, if necessary, to various ports of Italy, Spain, Lebanon and Turkey. Intensive service is handled by the company's ships (four runs a month) on the Black-Sea-Japan line opened in 1976.

The year 1979 saw the inauguration of the Galfind and Blasco-Hindustan Lines which also employ Soviet ships. The Galfind Line, for example, employs eight ships of the Black-Sea Shipping Lines. Their ports of call are Ilyichevsk, Havana, Valencia, Barcelona, Genoa, Leghorn, Jidda, Bombay and Karachi. The frequency of this service is three times a month. Ships of the N. Zhukov type (deadweight 7,700 tons) which run the Blasco-Hindustan Line which calls at Hamburg, Karachi and Bombay make one run a month.

For many years ships of the Black-Sea Shipping Lines have been working on the Odessa-Ocean Line-Container Service line which links the ports of Malaysia and Singapore with ports of many European countries. The two biggest Soviet ships, Captain Smirnov and Sculptor Kononov, make one run every 20 days down the Blasco-Orient Line which was opened in 1981. The ships make calls at the ports of Ily-

chevsk, Saigon, Danang, Yokohama, Nagoya, Kobe, Osaka and, optionally, at Singapore, Hong Kong and other South-East Asian ports.

The passenger fleet of the Black-Sea Shipping Lines includes both huge ocean liners and a "minor fleet": launches, hydrofoil vessels and so on. Regardless of the size of these vessels, however, passengers are offered a maximum of conveniences everywhere. All ships are designed with due regard for the requirements of modern international shipping. Many of them have been recently modernised.

The "Minor" fleet handles a very large volume of work, especially during the summer months, when millions of tourists come to the famous Black-Sea resorts. The company's ocean liners run international lines. A number of them work under contracts with foreign companies, making luxury cruises with calls at dozens of international ports.

## Science fiction under Arctic waters

By Simon Haydon  
Reuter

STAVANGER, Norway — Oil technology is taking on a science-fiction look as producers turn to the harsh waters of Arctic Ocean to replace supplies when North Sea production begins to fade.

At a major conference and exhibition in Stavanger recently, underwater oil production was brought to life with full-scale models of parts of the mini-cities that might be built on the Arctic Ocean floor.

Mock-ups of giant oil rigs, which would dwarf the world's tallest buildings if built on land, tower over the conference centre, only a taste of the ideas bringing

space-age technology into play in the depths of the earth's northernmost seas.

Inside, oil industry experts debated the virtues of building huge, robotic drilling systems anchored 2,000 metres (7,000 feet) below the surface to raise oil from under the seabed.

Other versions of the future include a ship that could drill, process, store and transport large quantities of oil, without subjecting a fixed drilling platform to the rigours of an Arctic winter.

The oil companies have their own pet schemes but are unanimous that whoever wins the technological race to master the northern waters will reap the financial benefits.

No hard estimates of oil and gas reserves in the Arctic area are available, but J.M. Stanford, president of Petro-Canada Resources, said: "Exploration has shown that these Arctic and sub-Arctic regions have substantial hydrocarbons potential."

Oil companies are pouring millions of dollars into research programmes for the Arctic Ocean, where together with icy, stormy conditions, they face producing from small fields that offer limited returns from such massive investments.

At the conference, British petroleum said it was studying a ship that could drill, process, store and transport large amounts of oil in fields with limited reserves.



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### Jordanian soccer teams beaten in Iraq

AMMAN (J.T.) — Jordanian soccer clubs Ramtha and Al Ahli were defeated by Iraqi opposition Tuesday evening in Baghdad, Al Rai newspaper reported Wednesday.

### Al Arabi Handball Club beats UAE side

AMMAN (J.T.) — Jordan's Al Arabi Handball Club defeated United Arab Emirates (UAE) team Al Wasel 29-27 in Dammam, Saudi Arabia Tuesday evening. The Arab Handball League Champions Tournament currently held in Saudi Arabia is attended by several Arab teams who had won their country's league championship.

### 4th Royal Mechanised Division wins army handball title

AMMAN (Petra) — The finals of the Jordan Armed Forces handball championship were held Wednesday at Al Hussein Youth City's Sport Palace. The matches were held between the Third Royal Armoured Division team and the 12th Royal Mechanised Division team to determine the second and third positions of the championship. The match ended with the Third Royal Armoured Division winning 31-18. These results give the Fourth Royal Mechanised Division team the championship, the Third Royal Armoured Division team took second position and the 12th Royal Mechanised Division was third. At the end of the matches the commander of the People's Army deputised for the chief of staff, the chairman of the Military Sport Federation in presenting cups and medals to the winning teams. The match was attended by a number of Armed Forces officers.

### Jordan plays final Asian soccer match

AMMAN (J.T.) — The national Jordanian football team play their final match in the Asian Soccer Cup Championship Thursday against Afghanistan. Jordan drew against Hong Kong in their first match and then lost to China and Qatar. The championship is being played in Canton State, China.

### Jordan, China sign sports complex agreement

AMMAN (Petra) — Jordan and China Tuesday signed an agreement for establishing a sports city in the northern town of Irbid.

Under the agreement, China will offer technical help for the construction of a gymnasium hall that can accommodate 2,000 spectators, an integrated training hall, two open swimming pools, an open training yard for basketball, volleyball and tennis and a dormitory for players with 100 beds, and other utilities and services.

The agreement was signed by National Planning Council President Omar Abdullah Dakqan and China's Ambassador to Jordan Huang Shixie.

### Spanish soccer strike ends

MADRID (R) — Spain's top professional football players ended a 15-day strike Wednesday and accepted a compromise on demands for improved terms, much to the relief of the clubs and to fans eager to see them back in action.

"I think we ought to congratulate ourselves. The strike benefitted no one," Real Madrid club president Luis de Carlos said at the end of the stoppage by 1,500 professionals.

The strike led to the unusual spectacle of amateurs and juniors playing league matches for one weekend and to no matches at all the following weekend.

League matches will resume as normal on Sunday.

Spain's 78 soccer clubs and Footballers' Association (AFE) wrangled for 13 hours through the night to reach a final settlement at breakfast-time. Similar marathon peace talks totalling 90 hours of discussion had broken down previously.

The players had demanded less rigid contract terms and improved social security and tax arrangements. Under Wednesday's settlement, the clubs agreed to make their hiring conditions more

flexible and set aside a fund to cover unpaid wages.

But players' demands for a share in television earnings were not conceded. AFE President Jose Manuel Iriarte told reporters after the talks that the agreement had been reached on reduced demands but that players were largely pleased with the result.

"The AFE is not losing from the strike's resolution," he said.

The stoppage, which was the third of its kind in four years, had provoked mixed reactions from soccer-mad Spaniards.

Some were annoyed they were denied their games, saying the strikers were haggling over money.

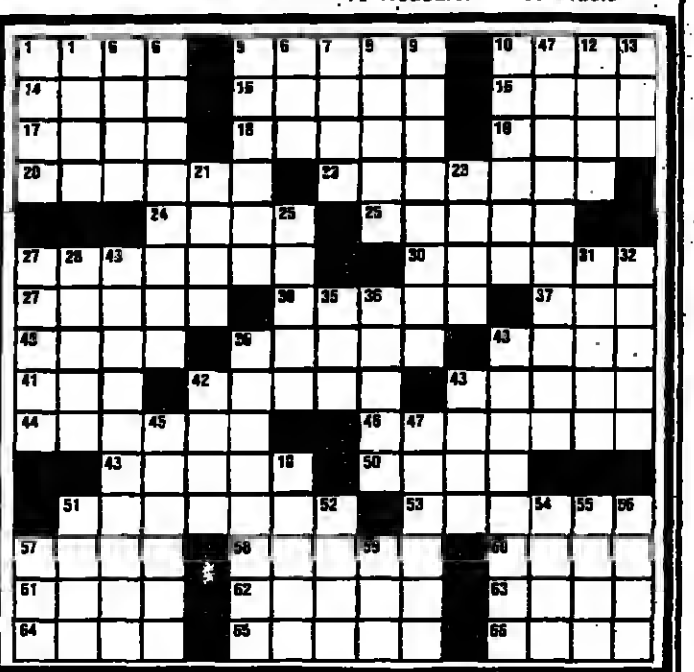
Others expressed indifference to the stoppage, which did not extend to international matches like Wednesday opening games of European-wide competitions. But the spirits of many fans had sagged over the strike and several clubs lamented that normal brisk sales of tickets had slowed.

Real Madrid, one of the world's top clubs, offered free entrance to its European Football Union Cup competition game against Austrian club Innsbruck Wednesday.

### THE Daily Crossword

by Mital Olin

<b>ACROSS</b>	<b>DOWN</b>
1 Tax people	1 Stylized
5 Former	2 Lane
10 Bunting, for one	3 Away from the wind
14 Stop	4 Emphasized
15 Nimble	5 Glossy
16 Freshwater mussel	6 Turk title
17 Roman road	7 Poker chip, for example
18 Sample	8 Place of worship
19 Invitation letters	9 Certain child
20 Photographer's word	10 Treasurer
22 Card game	
24 Beehive	
26 Detection device	
27 Card game	
30 Certain noun	
33 Bitter medicine	
34 Make tardy	
37 Actress	
38 Pleat	
39 "A Man Called"	
40 Sugar	
41 Calendar abbr.	
42 Sea duck	
43 Thrusting weapon	
44 Toward the rear	
45 Had a chemical change	
46 Goodbye, Garcia	
47 — the Red	
48 Divides	
49 A Musketeer	
50 Tard	
51 Warm	
52 Streamlet	
53 Son of Adam	
54 Turning tool	
55 Entertainer	
56 Oakley	
57 Asian title	
58 Group	
59 Tool	
60 — Ridge (racehorse)	
61 Gam-holding device	
62 Uses the slopes	
63 Yemen port	
64 Moved a boat	
65 Old silk	
66 Then in Paris	
67 Card games	
68 Family circle member	
69 Passed	
70 Devoured	
71 Piled-up	
72 Card game	
73 Card game	
74 Pa. port	
75 Animal's milieu	
76 Namesake of a Ford	
77 Pencil end	
78 Vapor	
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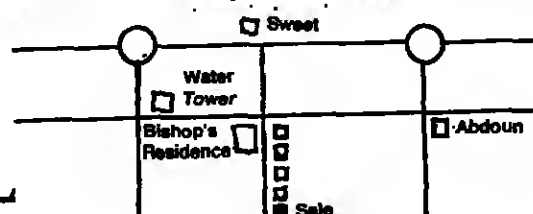
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### FRIDAY'S RACES AT THE ROYAL RACING CLUB-TUNEIB

#### FIRST RACE - 3.00 p.m. For beginner horses Distance: 1000 metres

Owner	Horse	Trainer	Jockey	Weight
1- A. El Sattar Matar	Jihad	Owner	Mikhael	54
2- Mohammad A. El Karam	H. Maryam	Owner	Fawaz	52.5
3- Khalid Fadhal	Nojoud	Owner	Mahmoud	52.5
4- Younis Abid Khalal	Hilin	Owner	52.5	
5- Mohammad A. El Naby	M. Rased	Owner	48.5	
6- Jamal Mohamed El Zabin	El Hamdany	Owner	Mousa	48
7- Hamed El Jarmany	K. Dhay	Owner	Youssef	48.5
8- Mohammad El Nabulsi	Salma	Owner	Thamin	48.5
9- Youssef Mohammad	Gharib	Owner	Saad	46.5
10- Mohammad Sulman	M. Samy	Owner	Ahmad	46.5

#### SECOND RACE - 3.30 p.m. For beginner horses Distance: 1400 metres

Owner	Horse	Trainer	Jockey	Weight
1- Khalid N. El Falez	Jarrah	Owner	Mostafa	54
2- Sulman Khalal	D. El Khaleem	Owner	Sulman	54
3- Miray Talab	El Abjar	Owner	Mahmoud	54
4- Saied El Falez	Amal	Owner	Saad	52.5
5- Younis A. Khalal	Hilin	Owner	Thamin	52.5
6- Nahar El Syoud	Nasrah	Owner	Ahmad	52.5
7- A. El Rahman Mawir	M. Zyad	Owner	Salah	52.5
8- Aly Mohammad	Rokayah	Owner	52.5	
9- Shaway El Jarmany	M. Osamah	Owner	Youssef	48
10- Abbas El Adwan	El Bakha	Owner	Dafallah	46.5

#### THIRD RACE - 4.00 p.m. For beginner horses Distance: 1400 metres

Owner	Horse	Trainer	Jockey	Weight
1- H.H. Late Sharif Nasser	Seyal	Ibrahim	Ibrahim	54
2- Bahjat Fanous	Holwan	Owner	Mikhael	51
3- Hany El Hadid	Amirah	Owner	Ahmad	49.5
4- Gharib Haddadin	Seyal	Owner	Mahmoud	48
5- Izzat Ghandour	Hellmah	Owner	Saad	46.5
6- Samy Haddadin	Satwa	Owner	46.5	

#### FOURTH RACE - 4.00 p.m. For beginner horses Distance: 1000 metres

Owner	Horse	Trainer	Jockey	Weight
1- H.H. Late Sharif Nasser	Jallab	Ibrahim	Ibrahim	54
2- Mandouh El Hadid	Lazaz	Owner	54	
3- Samy Haddadin	Bayan	Owner	Youssef	52.5
4- Nidal B. El Hadid	Ward	Owner	Mahmoud	49.5
5- Nimr El Hmoud	Ibn El Reeh	Owner	Fawaz	48
6- Fikad Millaq	Mansour	Owner	Saad	48
7- Hany K. Bisharat	M. El Zaman	Owner	Mikhael	48.5
8- Samy Yacoub	Mahash	Owner	Mostaf	46.5
10- Hany El Hadid	Malek	Owner	Ahmad	46.5

#### FIFTH RACE - 5.00 p.m. For third and second class horses Distance: 1600 metres

Owner	Horse	Trainer	Jockey	Weight
1- Gharib Haddadin	D. El Aswad	Owner	Ibrahim	54
2- Gharib Haddadin	Awad	Owner	Mahmoud	50
3- Gharib Haddadin	Nayfin	Owner	48	
4- Bahjat Fanous	Apollo	Owner	Saad	48
5- Samy Haddadin	A. Samrah	Owner	48	

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## Brazilians demonstrate aircrafts

By Simonetta Carr  
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — During a press conference held Tuesday at the residence of the ambassador of Brazil, Mr. Mohammad Salomao Razuck and Mr. Tulio Silviano Brandao, representatives of Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica (Embraer) gave a presentation of two aircrafts which were demonstrated on Sept. 16 at the old Amman airport.

The Brazilian ambassador, Mr. Felix Faria, said this conference has been the first most important event he has presided since his arrival here six months ago.

The demonstration was the first one in the Middle East. The demonstrated team, consisting of three aircrafts, two salesmen, four pilots and two engineers, left Wednesday for Kuwait, and will then move on to the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Tunisia, Algeria and other countries with which they are in contact.

The show was held to demonstrate Tucano 212, a \$1.25 million basic military trainer which, according to the head of the delegation Mr. Razuck, has started a new era on military training, summing up all up to date know how on trainers.

Tucano was first developed on request from the Brazilian Air Force. Its first flight was in 1979. Because of its great success, it was

first exported two years ago and, till today, 300 units have been sold.

Mr. Brandao, assistant manager of military sales, has predicted that, in two years time, the total sales will reach 500 units.

Mr. Razuck reported that the Royal Jordanian Air Force pilots who have participated in the demonstration were very impressed by the craft. Having never seen this plane before, they were still able to fly it within just half an hour.

Besides reducing the hours necessary to prepare a pilot, Tucano 212 also gives the same environment as a jet, at a much lower cost. Constructed with all new standard equipment and maintenance methods, it can meet almost all requirements of air forces in the world. Its excellent flexibility permits it to adjust to requests of all air forces.

Although it is primarily a basic trainer not built to fly long routes, Tucano 212 flew from Brazil to here single-engine.

Embraer used as support during this trip another of their crafts, Bandeirante, which carried supplies that could not fit Tucano's limited space. This gave the company a chance to show this 20 passenger commuter propeller plane as well.

Because of its practicality, stability in spite of its small size, and adaptability (its seat can be removed in half-hour), Bandeirante

was also a success at the Jordanian show.

Its capacity is up to 2,000 kilograms and can land in any kind of airstrip. It was actually the first Embraer plane introduced into the market 15 years ago and is sold in 30 countries around the world, with 150 units in the U.S. alone.

In the Mideast, Bandeirante is flying in Saudi Arabia.

Mr. Razuck said the company's priority is not to sell their aircrafts, but to keep its fleet flying as long as possible. Embraer facilities (technicians, spare parts) for this part of the world are found in Paris with a 24 hours service. Teams are also travelling abroad to assist and give support to customers.

Besides Tucano and Bandeirante, Embraer has also produced Brazilia, a 30 seat commuter pressurized plane which has just become ready for sales.

Brazilia was presented for the first time at the recent Farmborough show in England where it found its first two clients. Embraer also has 9 different types of Piper.

Another Embraer craft, the AMX subsonic strike jet and tactical fighter will also be flying soon. Developed in agreement with Alitalia, AMX already has a second prototype flying.

Concluding the press conference, Mr. Razuck expressed Embraer's thanks to the Royal Jordanian Air Force for their receptiveness and assistance during the team's stay in Jordan. He was very impressed by the high quality of Jordanian pilots and their know-how.

"Jordanians", he said, "should be proud of their Airforce."

## Argentina attain IMF agreement

BUENOS AIRES (R) — Argentina has reached agreement with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to raise its borrowing limit but bankers say economic growth — its security for a bigger overdraft — will be difficult to achieve.

Announcing the agreement Tuesday, Economy Minister Bernardo Grinspun said its basis was a letter of intent submitted to the IMF earlier this year calling for economic reactivation.

The letter of intent, which said democracy depended heavily on economic welfare, envisaged real increases in wages of up to eight per cent and growth this year of five per cent in Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

But bankers and economists said IMF economic adjustment programmes traditionally led to slower economic activity, lower wages and greater unemployment, and that the one reached by Argentina would be no different.

Banking sources said Mr. Grinspun began to implement the IMF programme earlier this month when he put a 16 per cent ceiling on increases in wages.

## USSR signs major credit at West German Bank

FRANKFURT (R) — The Soviet Union Wednesday signed its third major international credit this year, confirming a growing readiness to tap international markets and the willingness of European bankers to arrange loans for it.

A spokesman for Commerzbank, lead manager of the lending consortium, said the 500 million mark (\$162 million) credit over seven years was signed at its headquarters here.

Bankers said the deal showed that the East Bloc, and Moscow in particular, was in favour again with banks after the debt crises in Poland, Romania and Yugoslavia early in the 1980s.

This year has seen the first major loans to Moscow since those for the Siberian gas pipeline in 1981.

A recent \$50 million floating-rate note by the London-based Moscow Narodny Bank was the first Soviet bond issue since the 1917 revolution.

An economist at a major Ger-

man bank here said: "Countries in the East have shown that they can overcome payment problems."

In comparison to Latin American nations, banks saw the East Bloc as a much safer bet for extending funds, he added.

But the absence of U.S. banks from Wednesday's consortium, as in all other deals this year, shows that the strains that followed the 1979 invasion of Afghanistan are not completely forgotten.

The bank consortium for Wednesday's deal includes the Arab Banking Corp of Bahrain, Societe Generale of Belgium, the Long Term Credit Bank of Japan, Finland's Postipankki, France's Banque Paribas and Creditanstalt Bankverein of Austria.

It follows a \$250 million credit

in May which was lead managed by Dresdner Bank and marked the Soviet return to international markets, and a \$125 million Eurocredit in June managed by Deutsche Bank.

The involvement of West German banks in all three deals and in the Narodny bond, managed by Deutsche, is proof of the close contact banks here have with the East, bankers said.

The terms of Wednesday's deal, a four-year grace period with an interest margin of half a percentage point over the key dollar interest rate, LIBOR (London Inter Bank Offered Rate), and 1/2 of a point above for the final three years, compare well with the one point over LIBOR on a recent \$50 million mark (\$308 million) Eurocredit for East Germany.

"The Soviet Union is a first-class address," said a banker here, adding that the markets were likely to see more loans for Moscow in coming years.

## Foreign exchange markets await new dollar advance

LONDON (R) — European currencies regained some ground Wednesday after Tuesday's frenzied trading on foreign exchange markets, but not nearly enough to cancel out the dollar's unprecedented gains of recent days.

The dollar opened in Frankfurt at Tuesday night's closing level of 3.10 marks, but soon lost one penny to settle at about 3.0880.

In mid-session trading Tuesday it was quoted at 3.12, the highest since fixed exchange rates were abolished in 1973.

Sterling, encouraged by settlement of a dockers' strike, also opened at around Tuesday night's price, being quoted at \$1.2310 and rising slowly to around \$1.24 in quiet trading.

This was more than two cents higher than Tuesday's record low of \$1.2160, but London dealers said the market was still nervous, and that more U.S. economic data might be the signal for a fresh dollar advance.

Figures for U.S. housing starts, personal income and personal consumption in August and the "flash" forecast of U.S. third-quarter Gross National Product (GNP) will be issued Thursday.

The dealers said these are likely to show some slowing of the U.S. economy, but not enough to discourage further dollar buying.

Other European currencies also recovered Wednesday with the dollar at around 9.47 French francs compared with Tuesday's

peak of 9.5650, and at 2.5280 Swiss francs after Tuesday's 2.5645.

Trading in most capitals was unsettled as operators looked for signs of new dollar strength.

In Frankfurt, however, dealers saw a more continued dollar decline, with one of them predicting that it could ease back as far as 3.06 marks before meeting resistance.

The dollar's strength is largely based on high U.S. interest rates, and they pointed to the easing of the key federal funds rate, at which major banking institutions tend to each other overnight.

Federal funds traded below 11 1/2 per cent Tuesday against Monday's average of 11.64.

## Commercial banks oppose 'global solution' to debt problem

WASHINGTON (R) — International commercial banks are opposed to proposals for broad solutions to the world's massive debt crisis, according to the Institute of International Finance.

"Proposals for global solutions cannot be financed and are not in the long-term interest of borrowers or lenders," the institute said Tuesday.

The opposition to a broad approach to the debt problem was one of several conclusions reached by a 45-bank working group from the United States, Europe and Japan.

The institute, formed last year by 185 banks to monitor banking activity in indebted countries, said the working group believed slow but steady improvement would result if the world's economy

moved ahead in line with most forecasts and inflation remained under control.

A number of developing countries have said new initiatives by lending agencies such as the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the commercial banks and industrial countries, are needed because of the magnitude of the problem.

But the IMF argues that its country-by-country approach to rescue operations has proved successful although many difficulties lie ahead.

The institute's managing director Mr. Andre De Lattre said the study was "the first time the banking community has considered the debt problem collectively".

He told reporters it appeared that banks believed a \$20 billion annual infusion of new money was possible and that they hoped so-called "voluntary" loans, rather than rescheduling of existing debt, could be broadly resumed.

But the banks said that if debtor countries followed appropriate economic policies, comprehensive debt rescheduling over the longer-term should be considered.

They said that longer-term approaches to safeguard the private sector in the Third World should be encouraged.

The banks said an increased flow of direct foreign investment was essential if developing countries were to improve their economies.

## Inflation falls in West but not in Third World

GENEVA (R) — Inflation is stubbornly lingering or increasing in many countries of the developing world, although it has loosened its grip on industrialised nations, the International Labour Organisation (ILO) said Wednesday. An ILO study of consumer prices in 1982 and 1983 showed inflation rates ranging from a high of 433.7 per cent in Argentina to Japan's low of 1.75 per cent. Developing countries dominated the severe category of 20 per cent and above. The study of 73 countries listed Argentina, Bolivia and Israel as having the highest inflation levels and said many Third World nations suffered increases over the period. Rare exceptions to rising double-figure inflation in developing countries included the Bahamas, Cyprus, Panama, Puerto Rico, Syria and Thailand — all below five per cent. Brazil and Mexico's high rates declined while in Africa Kenya, Tunisia, Madagascar and Reunion also had lower rates but were exceptions in an otherwise gloomy picture of the continent. Almost all countries in Western Europe managed to control inflation, the ILO said, with the Netherlands and Austria in the lowest category with 3.1 and 3.8 per cent respectively in 1983.

## YOUR DAILY Horoscope

from the Carroll Righter Institute

FORECAST FOR THURSDAY, SEPT., 20, 1984

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Except for an influential person who will aid you in making the advance you desire, you find this is a day when it is difficult to channel your energies into constructive directions.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Finish some important work at home and do not let any co-worker in any way. Take time for treatments that will improve your health.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Early make arrangements with a good friend for some entertainment that is pleasing to both. Then communicate with others.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) If you talk about finances at home, you can improve conditions there admirably. Show greater affection.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21) You have fine ideas to proffer allies, but don't be forceful with others in order to gain your own way.

LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) Look to an expert for good ideas now best to handle your money matters. Don't remain secluded because someone may have been unkind.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 23) Contact that friend who likes you very much and can help you to solve a problematical affair easily.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) If you use tact, you can get the data from a bigwig that is vital to your welfare. Don't take any risks with your reputation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Try a different method for gaining your personal goals and you are more successful. Postpone that business affair with a pal.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) An expert can assist you in some business problem, but don't turn on one who has given you much moral support.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Take a partner to some new site where you can get a finer perspective so that there can be greater success.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) You may be in line for a raise so take no risks with your work and be very precise. Listen to the suggestions of your banker.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) An associate can help you with some entertainment matter and make it go very well for you.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY ... he or she is a born problem-solver and should have the education slanted along such lines. Make sure not to drive your progeny overly hard otherwise much of the incentive here will be lost and little will be accomplished throughout the lifetime.

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FORECAST FOR FRIDAY, SEPT., 21, 1984

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Despite a deceptive condition, some limitation from the past and a desire to be an introvert today, you have some excellent opportunities to advance by your own resourcefulness.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Put aside any trouble with kin or in business and concentrate on that new project you have in mind.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Ideas of intelligent persons and your own do not seem to coincide, so get the advice of an experienced person in business.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Listening to the ideas of an adroit associate is wise; then you can improve some plan you have made and get home conditions bettered.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21) A pal and a regular ally are at odds with your ideas but a fellow worker is in agreement with them now.

LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) You need some recreation since your ideas and those of kin do not help your present situation.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Distant affairs do not seem to go well and you are dissatisfied with own activities, so stay at home and be helpful to kin.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Private and financial affairs seem hard to solve, so get busy at your correspondence and get good results.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Be more practical and handle your finances yourself without the aid of a friend who is not sufficiently cognizant of your affairs.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Use mature judgment and gain benefits that mean a great deal to you. Don't let some unpleasant situation continue.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Not a good day to seek a new philosophy or be with buddies, but good for getting your affairs straightened out nicely.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) A good day to repay favors to good friends, so put practical affairs aside for awhile. Don't be so concerned with worldly affairs.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Make sure you handle tasks in the world of business with much care and caution and steer clear of an overly glamorous person.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY ... he or she will be able to solve problems very well since there is the ability to either be direct or philosophical in approaching them, depending on their nature. Teach not to get into the habit of worrying otherwise the fine potential here can be lessened a great deal.

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## LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON (R) — Shares closed higher helped by sterling's steadier trend after recent weakness and the resolution of the U.K. docks strike. Dealers said some prices tended to move off their highs in late trade in response to Wall Street's lower opening. At 1530 hours the FTSE 100 index was up 12.6 at 1122.5.

Among leaders U.S. buying lifted Thorn EMI 15p to 424, ICI 8p to 644 and Glaxo 5p to 980 after 985. But added 15p to 282 after interim, boosting Rothmans 4p to 157 in sympathy.

Government bonds pared early 1/4 point gains to around 1/2 reflecting sterling fluctuations. North Americans were mixed and gold shares quietly higher.

Government bond dealers said prices were helped by news U.K. average earnings growth for 1983/84 slowed on an underlying basis but second quarter U.K. GDP was largely within expectations and had little impact on bonds.

Hong Kong shares were firmer on news negotiators sent texts of a draft Sino-British accord on the colony to their respective governments. Cheung Kong was 2p up at 86p.

Oils ended firm after a dull start with B.P. up 6p at 506 and Shell 2p harder at 670 after 665. Dealers said banks firmed on U.S. support, noting the sector has seemed undervalued of late. Midland closed 15p higher at 337 and Barclays 8p up at 492.

## LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets Wednesday.

One sterling	1.2393/2403	U.S. dollars
One U.S. dollar	1.3164/67	Canadian dollars
	3.0880/90	West German marks
	3.4780/90	Dutch guilders
	2.5295/5310	Swiss francs
	62.28/31	Belgian francs
	9.4700/50	French francs
	1903.75/1905.75	Italian lire
	245.45/55	Japanese yen
	8.6830/60	Swedish crowns
	8.6850/70	Norwegian crowns
	11.1660/90	Danish crowns
One ounce of gold	340.80/341.30	U.S. dollars

## THE BETTER HALF

By Harris



"If you're worried about my company's reliability, I can sell you some insurance insurance!"

## JUMBLE

Unscramble these four jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

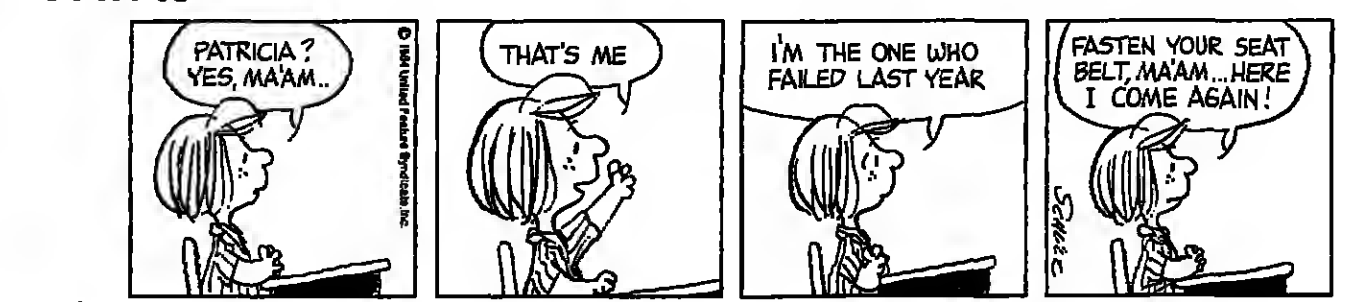
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Answer: A (Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: BLANK TRACT MARAUD LEGUME

Answer: What happened to the plastic surgeon who was working in an overheated operating room? — HE MELTED

## Peanuts



## Mutt 'n' Jeff



## Andy Capp





# Moscow attacks Bonn over Andreotti dispute

MOSCOW (R) — The Soviet daily Pravda Wednesday said Bonn's sharp reaction to comments by Italian Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti on the division of Germany demonstrated that West Germany was a threat to East Berlin.

The Communist Party daily expressed approval for Mr. Andreotti's remarks that it was better to maintain two separate German states, saying he was taking a realistic approach to preserving peace in Europe.

It fiercely criticised Bonn's angry protest over the comments, saying it showed the West German government refused to accept present European frontiers and posed a threat to Communist East Germany and other countries.

"What are they after on the Rhine? The liquidation, at the very least, of the German Democratic Republic? That's what it looks like," Pravda said.

Mr. Andreotti apologised to West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher earlier this week for the row caused by his comments and both declared the matter settled.

Moscow has repeatedly accused the present West German government of "revanchism" (seeking to regain territories lost after World War II) and Western diplomats said it would have been delighted by Mr. Andreotti's controversial remarks.

Meanwhile East Germany and Bulgaria, which both called off-

its by their leaders to Bonn under apparent pressure from the Kremlin, Wednesday pledged to strengthen their alliance with the Soviet Union.

The call, reported by the official ADN News Agency, came in East Berlin talks between East German leader Erich Honecker and Bulgarian Prime Minister Grisha Filipov, who is on a three-day visit.

"(Honecker and Filipov) stressed they would do everything to further strengthen the alliance with the Soviet Union and the unity and solidarity of the states of the Socialist community," the ADN statement said.

It said both sides would work with Moscow to avoid a danger of nuclear war resulting from the West's "imperialist course of confrontation and rearmament."

Sofia and East Berlin have shown an unusual degree of independence in recent months, cultivating relations with Western countries despite Moscow's reluctance to negotiate since the deployment of new U.S. nuclear missiles in Europe.

The limits of these contacts became apparent earlier this month when both Honecker and Bulgarian leader Todor Zhivkov cal-

led off planned visits to West Germany after a Soviet Bloc press campaign against Bonn.

East Germany Tuesday seized on the dispute between Bonn and Rome to press demands that West Germany recognise its existence as a fully-independent foreign state.

The Communist Party newspaper Neues Deutschland described as "downright scandalous" Bonn's formal protests to Rome over remarks by Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti last week that the division of Germany should be maintained.

"One cannot advocate good relations with the GDR (East Germany) and at the same time get excited when one hears that government of other countries accept there are two German states and that sensible relations between them serve peace," it said.

Some Communist officials predicted East Berlin would push the sovereignty demands more strongly following cancellation earlier this month of a planned visit by East German leader Erich Honecker to West Germany.

Western diplomats said Bonn's protests this week probably reflected a fear that Mr. Andreotti's remarks, at an Italian Communist Party meeting, might encourage East Berlin to push these demands to the forefront of inter-German relations.

## Pyongyang accepts Seoul's position on flood aid

TOKYO (AP) — Pyongyang said Wednesday it would honour South Korea's position on the delivery of North Korean relief goods for flood victims in the South, Radio Press reported.

Radio Press, a Japanese monitoring agency, quoted the official Radio Pyongyang as saying in a broadcast that the compromise was announced by Han Ung Sik, vice chairman of the North Korean Red Cross Society's Central Committee.

Mr. Han led Pyongyang's five-member delegation to a Red Cross meeting at Pannunjom Tuesday. The meeting ended in deadlock over the delivery of relief materials—some 7,000 tons of rice, 50,000 meters of fabric, 100,000 tons of cement and quantities of medicine.

The two sides agreed on the sea arrangements but the South Korean delegation insisted that on land, relief supplies be turned over at the truce village inside the demilitarised zone.

Radio Press said Mr. Han stated it would be "faster and convenient to deliver part of the relief goods by our side to Seoul where the flood-sufferers are concentrated."

He added, however, that North Korea "will respect the South Korean side's proposal."

## Soviet press plays down Bitov allegations

MOSCOW (R) — The Soviet press Wednesday played down charges by journalist Oleg Bitov that he had been tortured in Britain and diplomats said it appeared Moscow was trying to prevent serious damage to its relations with London.

Mr. Bitov, who defected to Britain last September, appeared at a Moscow press conference Tuesday saying he had been kidnapped, drugged and tortured by British secret agents to make him speak out against his homeland.

Full-scale press conferences are normally given wide coverage in the Soviet press, but national dailies Wednesday carried only a seven-paragraph report which omitted any direct quotations by Mr. Bitov.

"It looks like the Soviet authorities do not want to make an enormous issue out of this, probably because they don't want to provoke a crisis in relations with London," one Western diplomat commented.

Other diplomats said there had been signs that the Soviet Foreign Ministry wanted to distance itself from the Bitov affair from the start. The ministry normally hosts international press conferences, but Mr. Bitov's appearance was staged by the Novosti News Agency.

Soviet television also gave less than usual coverage to the press conference in its evening news bulletin Tuesday night.

A brief film clip focused chiefly

on the journalists present and included no sequences in which Mr. Bitov was heard speaking.

"It's possible that some sections of the leadership did not want the whole fuss in the first place and was now trying to bury it," one diplomat commented.

The British government summoned the Soviet envoy in London Tuesday to lodge a formal complaint that Mr. Bitov's allegations were absurd and offensive and could harm relations.

Mr. Bitov vanished while attending a film festival in Venice last September. He reappeared in London and was granted political asylum.

A former cultural editor for the prestige weekly Literaturnaya Gazeta, he wrote a series of articles while in London condemning Soviet censorship and charging that a new era of repression was descending on his country.

Mr. Bitov said at his press conference that he had been kidnapped while in Venice and subsequently held captive in London. He said he wrote the articles attacking Moscow to win the confidence of his captors.

Literaturnaya Gazeta was the only newspaper Wednesday to give any prominence to the press conference, publishing a detailed account spread over an entire page.

Mr. Bitov said Tuesday that he would be publishing a series of articles in the weekly giving details of his experiences.

## COLUMNS 7&8

De Lorean, wife separate

LOS ANGELES (R) — Former automobile manufacturer John De Lorean, acquitted a month ago on drug charges, and his wife who sat by him throughout his long trial, model Cristina Ferrare, have separated, Mr. De Lorean's lawyer said Tuesday. "The pressures apparently got too much for them," the lawyer, Howard Weitzman, said. Mr. Weitzman said the couple separated two or three days ago and are living in separate places. "Nobody is talking divorce," he said. The couple have two children, Zachary, 12, and Kathryn, 6.

Prostitutes demand compensation

NEW DELHI (AP) — The head of a prostitutes' association says the governing Congress-I Party should pay compensation to the women who allegedly closed down their "trade" to protect themselves from a gang of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's young supporters. Shakuntala Bai, president of the Women Prostitutes' Welfare Society, said the red light district in Nagpur, 550 kilometres south of New Delhi in central India, was shut down for two days last week because of "excesses" by delegates to the National Students Union of India. The union is the youth wing of the Congress Party. All major Indian newspapers and news agencies have reported that several thousand of the youths went on a rampage, looting shops, robbing hotels, clashing with residents and molesting women. Rajiv Gandhi, Mrs. Gandhi's son and general secretary of the party, has announced that compensation will be paid to owner of looted shops.

French police to give up flat hats

PARIS (R) — French policemen will bang up their trademark flat-topped hat, the Kepi, for the last time next summer when they change to a new American-style uniform, the Interior Ministry said Tuesday. The new outfit, designed by couturier Pierre Balmain, has a dark blue aviator-style cap and a short, broad-shouldered jacket, ministry officials said. Women officers will get a new Balmain uniform with culotte skirt. The peaked Kepi, worn since Napoleonic times, was impractical for modern, low-roofed police cars and fell off when the wearer moved quickly, he said. Gendarmes.

Actor Richard Basehart dies

LOS ANGELES (R) — American actor Richard Basehart, who starred in more than 30 films and was the master of ceremonies of the closing ceremony of the Los Angeles Olympic Games last month, has died aged 70, his lawyer said Tuesday. Basehart suffered a series of strokes after he took part in the games ceremony and went into a coma several days before he died in Cedars Sinai Hospital in Los Angeles Monday night, the lawyer said. One of Basehart's most successful roles was as commander of a glass-nosed submarine in the long-running television series Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea in the 1960s.

Plane wreck mistaken for submarine

OSLO (R) — A suspected submarine that was caught in the nets of a fishing boat off the west coast of Norway Tuesday turned out to be an old plane wreck, the Norwegian Navy said Wednesday. The navy said Tuesday night it was almost certain the object that dragged a 14-metre shrimp trawler backwards at a speed of three knots for about an hour off the west coast port of Stavanger was a foreign submarine. But a spokesman at the navy's Maritime Operations Centre told Reuters Wednesday the object was a plane that probably crashed during the World War II.

## Latest poll holds more bad news for Mondale

NEW YORK (R) — Democratic presidential candidate Walter Mondale received more bad news Wednesday with a new opinion poll showing that President Reagan is even winning the support of voters who disagree with him on basic issues.

The New York Times-CBS News survey, which put Mr. Reagan's lead at 54 to 33 percent, also showed that a growing number of voters viewed Mondale as lacking presidential qualities.

Poll analysts attributed Mr. Reagan's support among voters who disagreed with him to his strong personal image.

On the emotionally charged issue of abortion, for example, those polled shared Mr. Mondale's position in favour of allowing a choice by 63 to 28 percent. Yet half of them said they would vote for Mr. Reagan, who is for a constitutional amendment banning abortion.

The survey also showed that

Mr. Mondale's vice-presidential running mate Geraldine Ferraro slipped over the last month, going from a 15 per cent unfavourable rating to 31 per cent.

Ms. Ferraro, scoring President Reagan's image as "a man's man", stomped the campaign trail declaring that a real leader would have negotiated an arms deal with the Soviet Union.

In her strongest statements so far on East-West issues and arms control, the Democratic vice-presidential candidate flayed Mr. Reagan in speeches in Milwaukee and Philadelphia Tuesday.

"I go slightly berserk when I see that people think Mr. Reagan is a leader and that he's a man's man," she said.

Ms. Ferraro said: "After watching President Reagan hurl insults at the Soviet Union for the past 2-1/2 years I feel it would be a much stronger leader who could say 'let's exchange proposals'."

## 7 blacks die in South African gold mine protests

JOHANNESBURG (R) — Seven blacks died in violent rioting at a gold mine east of Johannesburg Tuesday and 89 people were injured, a police spokesman said Wednesday.

Riot police used birdshot, rubber bullets and teargas against rioters during more than 15 hours of rioting at the Western Areas Mine, 40 kilometres from Johannesburg. The spokesman said it was not known how many of the victims died as a result of police action.

Police were initially unable to give a casualty toll though the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM) leader Cyril Ramaphosa had estimated about six men had died. The mine was not among seven hit by a strike over pay by the black NUM, which was called off Tuesday.

In renewed unrest in Soweto, the black satellite city outside Johannesburg, two men died after they were found with head injuries Tuesday but the police said there were no reports of trouble Wednesday.

After rioting Tuesday night at another gold mine, one black miner was in hospital Wednesday with stab wounds suffered in clashes in a hostel at Hartbeestfontein Gold Mine, 130 kilometres south-west of Johannesburg.

Anglovaal Group, which controls the mine, said only 1,900 blacks turned up for the day shift Wednesday and the balance of around 10,000 due at work had been told to return or face the sack Wednesday.

The mine employs a total of about 18,000 blacks.

Police said they were investigating the deaths which came during a day of fresh clashes between rioters and police.

Japanese mercenaries allegedly trained Nicaraguan rebels

TEGUCIGALPA (Agencies) — Japanese mercenaries have given military training to right-wing guerrillas fighting for the overthrow of Nicaragua's government, according to the leader of a 2,500-strong rebel army.

Steadman Fagoth, leader of the Misura—a rebel group composed of three Indian tribes from Nicaragua's Atlantic coast—said seven Japanese had helped his men form special attack units and trained them in martial arts and weapons handling.

Mr. Fagoth's assertion, in an interview with Reuters, was the first indication that the U.S.-backed guerrilla war against the Sandinist government in Nicaragua was attracting foreign mercenaries from outside the Western hemisphere.

Earlier this month, two mercenaries from the United States died in an air raid on a Nicaraguan military school.

Mr. Fagoth said the Japanese had given his men courses in martial arts, weapons training and strategy for three months in camps on the Atlantic coast of Nicaragua before returning to Japan in April.

"They told us they wanted to help us fight Communism," he said.

Fagoth said he saw help from outside as a balance to international assistance to the Sandinists.

"From the moment that Cubans, Libyans, and Palestinians arrived in Nicaragua, the conflict was internationalised. Why shouldn't we have the right to allow international volunteers to help us fight the Sandinists?"

He said the Japanese had brought no arms and were issued with AK-47s, the standard, Soviet-made assault rifle used by anti-Sandinist guerrillas.

## GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN

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### THE \$20,000 FINESSE

DEAR READERS: We have had many requests over the years for those hands that we consider to be our favorites. That makes quite a list. For the time being, therefore, we are devoting the Sunday column to a series of famous hands. At the end of the series, we will go back to our weekly question and answer column.

Both vulnerable. North deals.

**NORTH**  
♠ 7J65  
♥ 4  
♦ 95  
♣ AK1042

**WEST** ♠ K942  
♥ K855  
♦ 1042  
♣ 53

**EAST** ♠ 3  
♥ A9762  
♦ AQ763  
♣ QJ

**SOUTH**  
♠ AK108  
♥ J103  
♦ K8  
♣ 9876

The bidding:  
North East South West  
Pass 1 Pass 2  
Dble 4 Pass 4 Dble  
Pass Pass Pass  
Opening lead: King of ♠.

At the end of the 1960s, Omar Sharif came up with the idea that for bridge to become an exciting spectacle, it had to involve big money.

No in 1970 Sharif and some of his favorite partners sat down against some of Britain's leading players in the highest stake rubber bridge game on record—\$4 a point!

To make it even richer, there were considerable amounts wagered on side bets. The records show that Sharif and company won

about \$30,000 in the match. However, he came out a loser. A film of the match that he financed to the tune of some \$500,000 was never picked up by the television networks, and he was stuck with the tab.

This was perhaps the most dramatic hand of the match. Sitting East and West were Omar Sharif and Claude Delmouly of France, while North-South were the British internationalists Jonathan Cansino and Jeremy Flint.

After passing initially, Cansino doubled Delmouly's raise to two hearts for takeout. Sharif jumped to four hearts on his distributive hand in the hope of keeping Flint out of the auction, but Flint's hand was too strong. He came in with four spades and, not surprisingly, Delmouly doubled—he had no desire to play five hearts.

West led the king of hearts and continued with a low heart. Declarer ruffed on the table and ran the jack of trumps to West's queen. The defenders completed their book by taking the diamond ace, and Sharif threw declarer on lead with the king of diamonds. Everything now hinged on how declarer played the club suit.

Flint cashed the ace of clubs, and Sharif dropped the queen. Now declarer drew trumps and led the ace of clubs. The Rule of Restricted Choice applies in this situation, and the finesse is the percentage play. If Flint guessed right, he would make his contract; if he went wrong, he would be down four doubled and vulnerable.

With side bets, about \$10,000 hinged on his decision. After considerable thought, Flint elected to go with the odds by running the nine. He made no more tricks.

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## THE WEEKEND CROSSWORD

Edited by Herb Ettenson

RIGHT ON!

By Frank R. Jackson

ACROSS

1 Leading man

2 Sheep

3 Poetic tool

4 Branch

5 Leading color

6 Seed cover

7 Egg-shaped

8 Dress shape

9 Lincoln

10 statement

11 for short

12 Little —

13 Highfrown

14 Survivor

15 "Calves and —"

16 West angling

17 Native surf.

18 Yacht angling

19 Yacht angling

20 Drying kiln

21 Captain, for one

22 Flexible twig

23 Condition

24 Ballerina

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